

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1 Claim 1. (*Currently Amended*) A trailer wheel lock device comprising:

2 an elongated rod having a head end and a second end, said rod being sized and dimensioned for
3 extending through openings defined in wheels disposed at opposite ends of a trailer axle, said rod having
4 an annular groove for engaging a latch pin of a lock defined about the rod at said head end, said groove
5 defining a head;

6 a stop located at said second end of said rod; ~~and~~

7 a rod receiving lock having a housing having an inner end and an outer end, said inner end having
8 an opening defined therein dimensioned and configured for receiving said head end of the rod and engaging
9 said head for locking over said head; and

10 a thrust washer having a radial mounting slot for axially mounting said thrust washer on said rod,

11 said rod having a receiving groove spaced from said rod head so sized as to receive said thrust washer

12 wherein said rod is adapted for insertion through corresponding openings in a pair of trailer wheels
13 on opposite ends of a trailer axle with the stop abutting one of the wheels and ~~the~~ a lock mechanism
14 attached to the head end of the rod so as to abut the other of said wheels so as to lock the trailer wheels
15 against rotation.

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1 Claim 2. (*Original*) The trailer wheel locking device according to claim 1, further comprising a first washer
2 disposed on said rod and located at said second end of said rod abutting said stop for preventing the
3 second end of said rod from passing through an opening in a trailer wheel.

1 Claim 3. (*Original*) The trailer wheel locking device according to claim 2, further comprising a second
2 washer disposed on the head end of said rod for bearing against a trailer wheel.

Claim 4. (*Cancelled*)

1 Claim 5. (*Currently Amended*) The trailer wheel locking device according to claim 4 1, said thrust washer
2 having an outer face having a lock seat recess therein for receiving an inner portion of the housing of said
3 ~~receiver~~ receiving lock.

1 Claim 6. (*Original*) The trailer wheel locking device according to claim 5, wherein said thrust washer
2 receiving groove in said rod is spaced from said head a length such that the inner end of said lock is seated
3 in said lock seat recess when said lock is engaged with said rod head.

1 Claim 7. (*Original*) The trailer wheel locking device according to claim 6, wherein said lock seat recess
2 extends radially from an intermediate point along said mounting slot to the opposite periphery of said thrust
washer.

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1 Claim 8. (*Currently Amended*) The trailer wheel locking device according to claim 7, wherein said lock
2 seat recess extends about half the thickness of said thrust washer, forming a ~~surface~~ face parallel with said
3 thrust washer outer surface.

1 Claim 9. (*Currently Amended*) The trailer wheel locking device according to claim 8, wherein said lock
2 seat recess surface extends along the length of said mounting slot, forming grooves therein having ~~grove~~
3 groove walls separated by a distance such as to fit over said rod when said thrust washer is installed in said
4 thrust washer receiving groove.